



Information Packet

On the Trail to Eagle

Lake Minnetonka District
Fall 2002 Camporee
October 4-6, 2002
Stearns Scout Camp, Woodland Campground
South Haven, Minnesota

Camporee Description

The majestic eagle is a sign of power and freedom in the United States. It is also the highest rank a boy can earn in the Boys Scouts of America. The rank of Eagle Scout is recognized throughout the country as a significant accomplishment and makes many people think of such virtues as honesty, integrity, and leadership.

Though not every scout chooses to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, it is a common goal that many strive for. This camporee is designed to give scouts of all ages a taste of things to come as they work their way through advancement in Scouting, clearing up any questions about service projects, merit badges, and leadership positions that they may have. Each Scout should be able to leave this camporee with a clearer picture of exactly what it takes to earn Scouting's highest rank if they choose to pursue it.

Location

The 2002 Fall Camporee will be held at the Woodland Camping Area at Stearns Scout Camp.

From Highway 55

- Go west on Hwy 55 to South Haven.
- Take Hwy 2 north (right) through Fairhaven.
- Turn right on Co. Rd. 44.
- Follow Co. Rd. 44 to Stearns Scout Camp. (The camp gate will be on your right)
- When you enter camp, take the first road to the right.

From Interstate 94

- Take I-94 north to the Clearwater exit
- At the Clearwater exit go left (south) on Hwy 24
- Follow Hwy 24 to Bass Lake Road. Turn right on Bass Lake Road.
- Follow Bass Lake Road to Co. Rd. 44. Turn Left on Co. Rd. 44
- Follow Co. Rd. 44 to Stearns Scout Camp. (The camp gate will be on your left)
- When you enter camp, take the first road to the right.

General Information

Event Rules	Scout Oath and Scout Laws
Event Scoring	Troops, patrols and scouts will be judged on their patrol method, scout spirit and participation. Scout Spirit will be evaluated in scoring on skill events.
Check-in	Friday evening, or Saturday morning. See schedule. PLEASE have your campout roster ready at check-in. On site registrations will be handled at the Friday night crackerbarrel, or as units arrive on Saturday.
Fires	<u>NO GROUND FIRES!</u> Use fire rings or approved above ground units. Troops must burn wood that is dead and on the ground or provide their own wood.
Garbage	Pack it in, pack it out. No littering will be tolerated!
Latrines	Permanent latrines on site.
Water	Water is available at camp.
1st Aid	Each troop should be able to care for minor injuries. Major injuries will be attended to by staff at HQ. Please have the proper medical paperwork and permission slip handy for every boy.
Fees	See pre-registration section.
Webelos	Webelos and Webelo Leaders are welcome to join us, free of charge, as guests of the Lake Minnetonka District. Please coordinate with a troop for meals and camping space. If you do not know which troop to contact please call Sara Amberg at Viking Council (763-545-4550). Webelos Dens <u>DO</u> need to register so we can track attendance in case of emergency.
Religious service	A scout is reverent. A non-denominational, non-sectarian service will be available. See schedule.
Uniforms	Scout uniforms ONLY. No camouflage or military uniforms. Scouts and leaders are expected to be in full uniform for the evening programs as well as the flag-raising ceremonies.
Scout behavior	Scouts and leaders will be expected to follow the rules and regulations. Anyone not heeding these instructions will be asked to leave the camporee. Remember, Scouting is a safe haven for boys!

Schedule of events

Friday

5:00-8:00 Check in and setup camp
8:00-8:30 Opening Campfire
9:00 Crackerbarrel for Staff, SPL's and SM's at HQ
10:00 Taps

Saturday

7:00 Reveille
7:00-8:30 Breakfast
8:00 Check-in for units arriving Sat. begins
8:30 Flagraising at HQ
9:00-9:15 Staff Briefing and Event Setup
9:15-11:30 Competitions & Exhibits
11:30-1:00 Lunch and Free Time
1:00-2:00 Raptor Center Program
2:15-4:45 Competitions & Exhibits
5:00-5:30 American Legion Flag Retirement Ceremony
5:30-7:20 Supper and Free Time

Colors retired at dusk

6:00-7:00 Cookoff Competition Judging at HQ
7:30-8:00 Vespers
8:00 Campfire
9:30 Crackerbarrel for Staff at HQ
10:00 Taps

Sunday

7:00 Reveille
7:00-8:30 Breakfast
8:45 Closing Formation & Awards
9:15 Break camp and checkout with staff

Special Events

Eagle Preview

The Lake Minnetonka District Fall Eagle Preview will take place as part of Saturday's program. The Eagle Preview is an important question and answer, informational session for Star and Life Scouts who are starting to prepare for their climb to Eagle. This program, which is hosted by the District Advancement Committee, has a great deal of information on the requirements, procedures and paperwork that are needed for the Eagle rank. This is highly recommended for any one that wishes to continue past Life Scout. Any boy who attends the Eagle Preview will receive his material packet when his troop checks out on Sunday.

Eagle Project Midway

The Eagle Service Project is, for many Scouts, one of the most daunting tasks accompanying the Eagle rank. Many Eagle Scouts from the Twin Cities area have come together to present a collection of the final reports from their Eagle projects. Scouts will get to tour this exhibit and see what kinds of service projects have qualified as *Eagle Projects*, and what kind of planning, work and leadership went into them. There may also be a chance to talk to representatives from local organizations with a need for someone to complete a project.

In addition, there will be some tips and examples on Eagle Scout Courts of Honor and some information on Scouting involvement after Eagle Scout.

Camporee "Eagle" Service Project

In the spirit of the camporee theme, patrols will have an opportunity to earn some service hours by helping out with a service project at Stearns Scout Reservation. *At least one representative from each patrol will need to help with this project in order for the patrol to earn its Eagle Patrol award.*

Raptor Center Eagle Program

The Raptor Center from the University of Minnesota will be presenting their Eagle Program. In this one-hour program, Scouts will have the opportunity to learn more about birds of prey and will get to see three different raptors, including an Eagle.

Scouts will get to see what they look like, learn where they live, what they eat, and how we can help protect these amazing avians.

American Legion Flag Retirement

American Legion Post 118 and the 40 et 8, Voiture 390 ritual team will do a flag retirement ceremony to start off our evening program. This impressive and patriotic ceremony highlights the meaning of the American Flag and reasons it is retired in this way. If you have flags that are ready for retirement, you are encouraged to bring them with and include them in the ritual.

Competition Events

All of the competition events will be based on skills or requirements needed to earn each rank in Boy Scouting, with each event holding a certain point value. All patrols will begin the day as Scout patrols. By successfully completing events they will accumulate the points necessary to become Tenderfoot Patrols, Second Class Patrols, and so on. All patrols who successfully complete all of the events will become Eagle Patrols.

Although, in reality, many Scouts may not earn Eagle Scout, the goal of this camporee is to give everyone a taste of what is involved in attaining that rank. Therefore, earning the Eagle Patrol will not be an overly difficult challenge. Patrols will need to participate in enough events to earn the required points, but any patrol willing to give it a solid effort should be able to so.

Each patrol is encouraged to have a Scout Handbook with them during the day. All other details on the competition events will be distributed at the Friday evening Crackerbarrel. All patrol ranks will be awarded at the closing ceremony on Sunday morning.

Cook-off

Description: Brief description to tie into theme.

Purpose: Use your outdoors cooking skills to make a hot, tasty, nourishing meal.

Objective: The meal will be judged on the following criteria:

Overall

- Original name of entry
- Scouting and adornments
- Professional appearance of meal
- Unusual shape

Presentation of entry

- Story; What is the history of your meal? Be imaginative.
- Group Appearance; In uniform? Neat looking?
- Fanfare; How professional is your presentation?
- Aroma
- Written recipe
- Clean hands

Quality

- Taste
- Ingredients
- Texture/ Temperature

Note: Incorrect temperature due to time spent waiting for staff at HQ will not effect the score, but extra points may be awarded for employing an original method for keep the proper temp.

- Special garnishments

Judging will take place at headquarters between 6:00 and 7:00 Saturday evening.

Troop Campsite Inspection

Part of scout camping is maintaining a safe and organized campsite. Troop campsites will be judged on the following criteria:

I. Campsite Identification

- A. American Flag
- B. Troop Flag
- C. Entryway with troop sign

II. Campsite and sleeping arrangements

- A. Tents pitched by patrol
- B. Campsite neat and orderly

III. Health, safety and sanitation

- A. Wood tools properly stored
- B. Garbage picked up
- C. Dishes washed and put away
- D. Cooking area clean
- E. First aid kit easily seen
- F. Fire attended or out, cold to touch
- G. Fire plan posted
- H. Fire located in proper area (in relation to the kitchen, tents, etc.)
- I. Fuels properly stored (in closed containers, away from fires, etc.)
- J. Food properly stored

IV. Menu planning, Duty roster

- A. Menu for all meals
- B. Duty roster posted

V. Scout Spirit project

Units may gain extra points for useful **pioneering projects** and/or a **Scout Advancement themed** campsite.

Lake Minnetonka District BSA Fall Camporee, 2002 Webelos Den Registration Form

Pack & Den Number _____
Den Leader (At event) _____
Number Boys _____
Number of Adults _____
Staying overnight? Yes _____ No _____
If so, with which Troop? _____

Please remember to have a complete roster of people in attendance ready when you check in at the Camporee. Please make sure you have permission slips and medical forms available for each person in attendance.

Send registration to: **Lake Minnetonka District Winter Camporee**
Viking Council BSA
5300 Glenwood Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55422

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Troop Registration Form

Troop _____
Scoutmaster (At event) _____
SPL (At event) _____
No. of Patrols _____

Early registration fee (before September 27, 2002) is \$10.00 per person

Registration fee (After September 27, 2002) is \$13.00 per person

Date: _____

Number of Youth: _____ X \$10.00 = \$ _____

Number of Adults: _____ X \$10.00 = \$ _____

After 9/27/02: Total in attendance _____ X \$3.00 = \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

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